

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force or otherwise use its stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation, and also appears to be a violation of the impartiality we should expect from those who use "public" airwaves. This blatantly partisan use of public assets must be prohibited.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest, not partisan political goals. Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules and prevent further media consolidation, not weaken them. Sinclair's actions should prevent them from having their public broadcast licenses renewed. Sinclair's actions are the antithesis of what should happen in a truly democratic America. Thank you.